僕は友達が少ない

The Hasegawa household

...

...

Mmh?

A SMILING KODAKA WATCHES OVER KOBATO. JUST WHAT IS HE THINKING ABOUT...?

THE TRUTH WAS THAT I HAD ALREADY REALIZED IT.

...THANK YOU

FOR YESTER-DAY.

KOBATO REALLY LOVED IT.

YESTER-DAY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

...AHH.

So it's about that...

.....

...WHAT'S UP KODAKA?

That came out of nowhere.

grin

grin

.....

IT LOOKS LIKE SHE'LL START USING THE HANDKERCHIEF TODAY, TOO.

...DOESN'T FEEL BAD TO HEAR THAT.

AND SHE'S DECORATED HER SHELVES WITH THE SCENTED CANDLES AS A GIFT TO CHERISH.

I...IS THAT RIGHT?

YUKIMURA.

THE TALISMANS YOU GAVE HER...

I SEE.

KOBATO LIKED THEM SO MUCH SHE STUCK THEM UP IN HER ROOM.

SHE REALLY LOVED THE MEAT YOU GAVE HER AS WELL AND SHE SCARFED IT DOWN.

!?

EHEHE... KOBATO-CHAN FEASTING ON MY MEAT...!

JUST GOING OFF THAT SENTENCE MAKES IT SOUND PRETTY GROTESQUE...

YEAH...

Come back to us!

twist twist

Listen to me!

That hurts! What's your deal!?

.....

MEAT...

YOU REALLY NEED TO THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE GONNA SAY BEFORE YOU OPEN YOUR MOUTH.

NOT TRYING TO BE SNARKY, THIS IS AN HONEST WORD OF ADVICE...

EHEHE...

BUT ME TOO, YOU KNOW...
THAT KIND OF BIRTHDAY PARTY WAS A FIRST FOR ME...
SO...

OF COURSE KOBATO HAD FUN YESTER-DAY...
...WELL, ANYWAY.

"Thanks"

KODAKA -SENPAI IS BLUSHING! I'M GONNA SAVE THESE PICTURES!

ANIKI... YOU'RE ADORABLE...

.....

THAT'S RIGHT! AND I DID IT FOR KOBATO-CHAN, NOT-FOR YOU!

AS HER BIG SISTER!

LEARN SOME SHAME!

HOW CAN YOU SAY SOMETHING THAT EMBARRASSING WITH A STRAIGHT FACE?!

...JEEZ.

WELL... YOU KNOW...

IT'S TRUE THAT THESE "BIRTHDAY PARTIES"

ARE PRETTY GREAT AFTER ALL.

HOW TO SAY...

WHICH MEANS THAT PEOPLE WITH LIVES GET TO

EXPERIENCE THAT OVER AND OVER THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

HMPH!

THE DAMN NERVE OF THEM!

YOU BRING UP YOUR GRUDGE AGAINST THEM NOW?

That's amazing...

COUGH

T...

THAT'S WHY—

WE, TOO,

IN ORDER TO MAKE FRIENDS WHO WILL CELEBRATE OUR BIRTHDAYS...

SHOULD KEEP TRYING OUR BEST HERE ON OUT!

AS YOU SAY, ANIKI.

That was my plan from the start, so I don't need you to tell me that.

HMph!

THAT'S RIGHT...!

...YEAH.

LET'S DO OUR BEST FOR REAL!

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Activity Log 44:
What He Had Already Realized

I WILL SERVE SOME TEA.

A BOOK FOR ME.

WELL THEN, FOR A NICE CHANGE OF MOOD, LET'S GO BACK TO GAMING.

—WITH THAT...

YOU GUYS NEVER CHANGE...

Sigh.....

.....AH, OH YEAH.

THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL IS COMING UP SOON, HUH?

.....

...NO.

NEVER MIND.

...

.....

KODAKA.

YOU JUST STEPPED ON A LAND MINE...

Land..

LAND MINE...!?

A FESTIVAL!

NO, WAIT. THIS SCHOOL HAS ONE TOO!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT WORD MEANS.

THERE'S NO FESTIVAL AFTER ALL.

CLASS PROJECTS, CLUB PROJECTS, PROJECTS WITH YOUR FRIENDS...

STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

FOR THAT REASON, THE CULTURAL FESTIVAL ALLOWS A GREAT DEAL OF FREEDOM.

THE CULTURAL FESTIVAL ESPECIALLY, WITH THE PUBLIC ATTENDING AS GUESTS, ATTRACTS OVERWHELMING EXCITEMENT.

A SCHOOL FESTIVAL HELD EVERY YEAR FOR THREE DAYS.

DAY ONE IS THE SPORTS FESTIVAL, AND DAYS TWO AND THREE ARE THE CULTURAL FESTIVAL.

THE ST. CHRONICA ACADEMY SCHOOL FESTIVAL

RIGHT NOW, THE SCHOOL IS

BUBBLING WITH ANTICIPATION
BELOW THE SURFACE

FOR THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL IN A MONTH!!

.....
KODAKA.

HUH?

THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL IS AN EVENT FULL OF PEOPLE WITH LIVES, BY THOSE PEOPLE, FOR THOSE PEOPLE.

YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT!

Yeah

I'M SORRY.

My bad

DO YOU GET IT NOW?

SO NEVER SPEAK OF THE WHATCHAMACALLIT EVER AGAIN.

YOU DON'T EVEN WANT TO SAY IT OUT LOUD?!

THAT'S RIGHT.

I GUESS IT'S JUST A MEANINGLESS EVENT FOR US, HUH...

Sigh

...OUR CLASS ISN'T DOING ANYTHING FOR IT, EITHER.

I SHONE LIKE A STAR AT LAST YEAR'S SCHOOL FESTIVAL!

HEY! DON'T JUST LUMP ME IN WITH THE REST OF YOU!

?

Sigh...

.....

MY SPLENDID ENDEAVORS, THAT IS!

BUT YOU SAW, RIGHT YOZORA?

HEHE.

KODAKA ACCEPTED SINCE HE'S A FANATIC STUDY

...SENA?

THAT PERFECT PRETENSE OF SOCIAL IMPAIRMENT! YOZORA -SAN, YOU'RE INCREDIBLE!

I CALLED IN SICK FOR ALL THREE DAYS LAST YEAR

LIKE HELL I DID

house!

RIKA SAW SENA-SENPAI AT THE SPORTS FESTIVAL AND THE FIRST DAY OF THE CULTURAL FESTIVAL LAST YEAR.

smirk

YOU WERE IN A LOT OF EVENTS.

...LAST YEAR RIKA WAS INVITED BY THE HEADMASTER AND WATCHED THE SPORTS FESTIVAL FROM THE VIP SEATS

YEP, THAT'S ME, ALL RIGHT!

MY WONDERFUL ACHIEVEMENTS!

OKAY...

THEN YOU EXPLAIN FOR THEM!

I SIGNED UP FOR ALL THE INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

AND GOT FIRST IN ALL OF THEM!

THE MARATHON,

THE BREAD-EATING CONTEST,

THERE WAS THE ZOO-METER RACE, THE SCAVENGER HUNT,

THE OBSTACLE COURSE,

AND THE CAVALRY FIGHT!

THAT'S PRETTY AMAZING.

Idiot

I WAS THE LEAD, AFTER ALL!

YEP!

I DON'T REMEMBER WHAT IT WAS ABOUT BUT I THINK SENA-SENPAI PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE.

FOR THE CULTURE FESTIVAL, YOU WERE IN THE PLAY YOUR CLASS DID, RIGHT?

HONESTLY, IT MADE RIKA CRINGE.

BUT YOU COULD TELL SHE WAS THE ONLY ONE INTO IT, AND EVERYBODY ELSE WAS PUT OFF BY IT.

EH!?

GYAHHHH!

ALSO, SHE FLASHED HER PANTIES AT THE CULTURAL FESTIVAL.

SINCE YOU COULD SEE HER BREASTS FLOPPING AROUND.

ALL THE BOYS WERE PRETTY THRILLED AT THE SPORTS FESTIVAL.

Wha...

EH...!?

SO THEY WEREN'T MESMERIZED BY MY MAGNIFICENT ACTIONS.....!?

...WHAT CAN I SAY, IT SOUNDS LIKE THEY WERE WRETCHED ACTIONS TRULY BEFITTING OF YOU.

They're white

UGH...

DON'T CALL ME THAT!

YOU ARE THE TRUE CHAMPION OF WRETCHES!

...THAT MAY BE TRUE, BUT...

.....

ALL WE CAN DO IS JUST WAIT QUIETLY WHILE THOSE IDIOTS WITH LIVES RUN AROUND.

Hmph

WELL, ANYWAY...

What are you a ninja..?

.....

Eh?

...That

That's why, Kodaka.

On those days...

!?

EH?

MEEEEA-AAAAT.....!

EHP WHAT!?

WE SHOULD DO SOMETHING FOR THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL AS THE NEIGHBORS CLUB!

!?

I KNOW!

OKAY.

THU-

.....

I GUESS THAT'S BEEN THE USUAL PATTERN SO FAR...

!!?

IT'S DECIDED!

LET'S DO A PRACTICE RUN!

WELL THEN, SO WE DON'T MESS UP IN THE FUTURE WHEN WE HAVE FRIENDS

EH?

AH... WAIT...!?

Neighbors Club Participating in the School Festival.....?

IT'S NOTHING!

KODAKA YOU DUMBASS!

?

WHAT'S WRONG, YOZORA?

!!!!!!

Yozora complained

(Provisional) Committee to Decide on a School Festival Activity

AND SO, AFTER ALL THAT

HOW ABOUT A MAID CAFE?!

AHEM

HOW THOUGHTLESS, YOU IDIOT.

DROP DEAD.

THE "MAID CAFÉ" IS A STAPLE OF CULTURAL FESTIVALS!

WHY'D YOU SHOOT IT DOWN SO FAST!?

WHY IS THAT...?

Presiding Officer

Kashiwazaki Sena

DO YOU REALLY EXPECT ME TO DEAL WITH CUSTOMERS?!

WHA!?

AH……

DON'T LOOK SO DAMN CONVINCED!

...YEAH, YOZORA DEFINITELY CAN'T HANDLE CUSTOMERS...

NEVER MIND BEING A MAID.

PFT!

THAT'S WAY TOO UNFITTING!

WHAT KIND OF JOKE IS THIS? PFFT!

IT'S TRUE I CAN'T DEAL WITH CUSTOMERS!

HOWEVER!

THAT GOES FOR THE REST OF YOU AS WELL!

GUH...!

I CAN AT LEAST HANDLE CUSTOM-ERS!

IF IT WEREN'T A MAID CAFE, LIKE A NORMAL CAFE OR A FAMILY RESTAURANT!

Hmm?

SO KODAKA, HAVE YOU EVER DEALT WITH CUSTOMERS AT ONE OF THOSE PLACES?

I HAVE NOT.

KODAKA -SENPAI AS A WAITER...

PFT

AHA! IF KODAKA WERE A WAITER THE CUSTOMERS WOULD PROBABLY RUN AWAY!

THE ENTRANCE TO HELL

Wel-come...

Do come in....

A rendering of Kodaka serving customers

HMPH. YOU'D DO WELL

NOT TO UNDER-ESTIMATE SHIGUMA RIKA, GENIUS INVENTOR!

SO WHAT ABOUT YOU, THEN?

CAN YOU DO IT? SERVING PEOPLE.

SURE THING!

HUH. THEN WHY DON'T YOU SHOW ME?

YOZORA -SENPAI.

DO YOU STILL HAVE THE MAID OUTFIT YUKIMURA -KUN WORE?

YEAH I DO.

THEN SINCE WE HAVE THE CHANCE, RIKA IS GOING TO PUT ON THIS UNIFORM AND ACT IT OUT.

OHH. SO THIS IS WHERE YOU KEPT IT.

♪

I'm going to change so please close your eyes, Kodaka-senpai.

shut

.....

...You can open your eyes now.

OHH! THAT'S AMAZING!

HOW DID YOU READ MY MIND LIKE THAT?

YOU EVEN GOT THE WORDING RIGHT!

YOU DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER THOUGHTS AT ALL, IS WHAT THAT FACE TELLS ME...

ASIDE FROM THE BASIC RECOGNITION THAT "RIKA PUT A MAID UNIFORM ON"

Peek a little

KODAKA -SENPAI YOU JERK!

YOU DUMB IDIOT!

Rika put a maid uniform on.

YOU'VE GOTTEN REAL RUDE LATELY...!

SO PLEASE GO OUTSIDE FOR A SECOND AND COME BACK IN.

I'M GOING TO ACT IT OUT RIGHT AWAY

I DON'T CARE ANYMORE, PUDDING-FOR-BRAINS!

Awowo...

Maid Café Performance #1

YOU SOFTHEADED PUDDING BASTARD!

I-IT'S NOT LIKE I WANTED YOU TO COME OR ANYTHING!

EH?

OUCH!!

Rika Invention: Boxing gloves that hurt a little

SHE PUNCHED HIM

SHE KICKED HIM

YOU NO-GOOD POTATO FUCKER!

WHATEVER, PLEASE SIT DOWN ALREADY

YOU DIDN'T PULL THAT PUNCH!?

UGHH

YOU CAN SEE YOU WERE KICKED BUT YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND "SIT, BOY"? YOU STUPID UNTRAINED MUTT!

OUCH!

He hasn't moved a step from the door

I'M ASKING YOU IF THERE'S ANY GREY MATTER IN THERE OR SOMETHING!

THAT KEEMA CURRY SHIT-STAINED HEAD OF YOURS...

Shin ♡

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JEEZ

SO WHERE THE HELL SHOULD I SIT!?

WHO SAID YOU COULD SIT IN A HUMAN CHAIR!?

DON'T THINK YOU CAN GET AWAY WITH ANYTHING JUST BY SAYING IT ALL TSUNDERE-LIKE!!

YOU!

throwaway line

UWOH!?

ちょん

A CHAIR STUPID PEOPLE CAN'T SEE!

THERE'S ONE RIGHT THERE!

CLANK

JUST STAY LIKE THAT OR SOMETHING!

DAMN IT...!!

EH?

Where?

EHHH!?

Delisn

IT'S NOT LIKE I GOT IT FOR YOU OR ANYTHING!

...

SHE BROUGHT OUT A COFFEE EVEN THOUGH I DIDN'T ORDER ANYTHING.

SHE DRANK IT—!!!

grin

I'M BEGGING YOU, PLEASE LET ME GO...!

...I

RIKA TAKING OUT HER RESENTMENT ON HIM BY PUTTING ON A TSUNDERE ACT...

...THAT HAD TO BE

... INDEED ...

If you come again or something...

It's okay

LIKE HELL I'D COME BACK!

flash

NO IT'S NOT!

How deep

SO THAT KIND OF SERVICE IS OKAY TOO...

.....SORRY, I GOT CAUGHT UP IN THE ACT MORE THAN I HAD THOUGHT.

Huh? WHAT ACT?

.....

MAID CAFE PERFORMANCE #2

THERE IS STILL A LONG WAY TO GO.

I think

UNFORTUNATELY...

UH-HUH.

RIKA WOULD LIKE TO HEAR YUKIMURA-SAN'S THOUGHTS ON RIKA'S TSUNDERE MAID JUST NOW.

YOU'RE GONNA KEEP ON INSISTING THAT WAS A TSUNDERE ACT, HUH?

Changed back

BEFORE THAT

DOES THAT MEAN, HAVING WORN A MAID OUTFIT FOR SO LONG

YOU'VE GRASPED SOME UNDERLYING TRUTH ABOUT MAIDS?

INDEED.

THE ESSENCE OF MAIDDOM...

THAT IS...

A HEART FULL OF DEVOTION TOWARD ANIKI.

11°

11°

EHH!?

ME!?

OKAY. LET'S HAVE MEAT SHOW US HER CUSTOMER SERVICE NEXT.

YAY. I WANT TO SEE SENA-SENPAI'S WAITRESS SKILLS.

Maid Café Performance #3

Not again

WELCOME BACK, MASTER.

EH?

.....

TH-

THAT LOOKS TIGHT ON YOU.

GAH...!

STANDING THERE WAS A GENUINE MAID.

D-

You idiot...

Don't stare at me like that...

FUCK.

WESTERN PORN.

YOU DAMN SLUT...!

grip

I got to sit down.

STARTING OVER

THE PEANUT GALLERY SURE IS BEING LOUD!

.....

H...

HMPH!

ER...

WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

Have you decided on your order, Master?

※Presented with simulated background images.

I'LL TAKE THE CAKE THEN.

We have a large assortment of items.

Special Maid coffee...

Special Maid tea...

The special Maid cake...

There's the special Maid sandwich...

MASTER~♥

RIGHT AWAY!

SO YOU DON'T HAVE IT!?

MY HUMBLE APOLOGIES.

WE ARE CURRENTLY OUT OF STOCK.

W-

WELL, COFFEE THEN...

WAIT... YOU KNOW... WHAT'S UP WITH YOU?

HOW COME YOU CAN DO THIS?

Thanks for the wait, Master!

A special maid coffee for you~♥

.....

THAT'S RIGHT!

THERE'S NO WAY SENA -SENPAI COULD SERVE PEOPLE SO WELL!

YOU MUST BE AN IMPOSTOR!!

CURSE YOU DOPPEL-GANGER!

GUH!

Boo

Boo

...HOW DID YOU LEARN TO WAIT AT A CAFE WATCHING A BUTLER DO HER JOB...?

ACK!

I...

I'M JUST COPYING STELLA!

Er... Oh!

AH. THAT MAKES SENSE.

It-

IT'S NOT THAT WEIRD, IS IT?!

.....

YOU'VE IMPRESSED ME.

THAT'S PRETTY GOOD FOR AN IMPRESSION.

...BUT YOU KNOW.

I need to cast a spell to make it taste better!

A SPELL?

Ah! Wait a sec.

I GUESS I'LL DRINK UP-

clink

EH?

KYUN ♥

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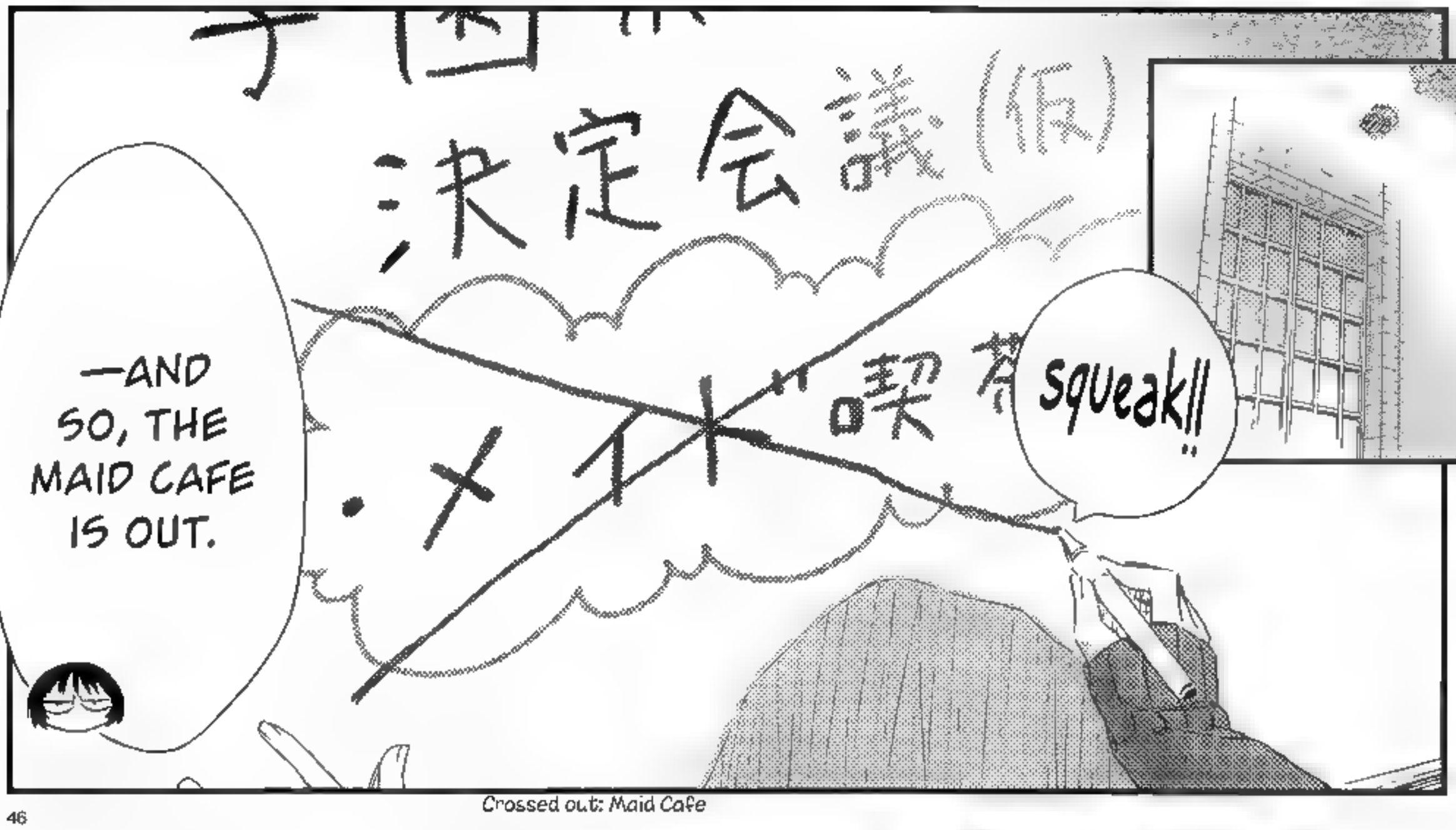
MOE ♥ MOE ♥

MAKE~♥

IT~☆

TASTY ~♪



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メイド喫茶
SO, OUR CLUB ACTIVITIES START FOR REAL TOMORROW.
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会議(仮)
メイド喫茶

定会議
IT MAY BE PRACTICE FOR WHEN WE HAVE FRIENDS
BUT WE WON'T BE HALFHEARTED ABOUT THIS!
THE NEIGHBORS CLUB IS JOINING THIS YEAR'S CULTURE FESTIVAL.

Hmph

I STILL DID NOT HAVE THE "RESOLVE" BACK THEN.

...EVEN THOUGH RIKA BACK THEN

EVEN THOUGH I KNEW

EXACTLY WHAT RIKA WAS TRYING TO SAY—

Wait, let's not plunge them into hell
YEAH!
WITH OUR POWERS COMBINED, WE'LL PLUNGE THOSE FESTIVAL-LOVING JERKS WITH LIVES INTO HELL!

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